REMARKS

Claims 4-6 and 8-22 were pending in the application. With this amendment, claims 13-

22 are canceled. Therefore, after entry of this amendment, claims 4-6 and 8-12 will be pending.

No new matter is believed to be introduced with these changes. Applicant reserves the right,

without prejudice, to pursue the subject matter of the cancelled claims in a continuing

application.

Substitute Specification

The Examiner has required a substitute specification according to the requirements of 37

CFR § 1.125(a). With this response, applicant provides, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.125(b), a

marked-up copy and clean copy of the substitute specification. Also enclosed is a statement that

the substitute specification contains no new matter. Applicant believes that the requirements of

37 CFR § 1.125 have been met with this submission.

Claim Objections

With the present amendments to claims 5 and 6, it is believed that the objections to these

claims have been obviated.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks and the amendments to the claims, the above-captioned

application is believed to be in form for allowance. A Notice to that effect is respectfully

solicited.

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